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Re: Allen, Auglaize & Hardin Counties Congressional Art Contest

Thank you for your interest in the 2009 Congressional Art Contest! Each high school may submit one two-dimensional piece of artwork to compete in the county wide contest. The school winner must live in the Fourth Congressional District: Champaign, Shelby, Auglaize, Logan, Hardin, Allen, Hancock, Morrow, Marion, Richland and the western half of Wyandot counties. The winning art piece must meet the 2009 Art Competition Guidelines available at Congressman Jordan's website.

http://jordan.house.gov

Only the district winner must be framed before it is displayed in the U.S. Capitol. Entries are not required to be framed prior to judging.

The organizer for Allen/Auglaize/Hardin Counties is Vanessa Damschroder, Education Director of ArtSpace/Lima. ArtSpace/Lima will facilitate the judging of the work selected. The chosen piece must arrive at ArtSpace/Lima by Saturday, February 21st. If the piece is being delivered in person, the hours of operation are 10am-5pm Tuesday-Friday and from 10am-2pm Saturday. Please allow 5 business days if you choose to mail your work in. The judging of the work will take place on February 23rd and the awards ceremony will be held at ArtSpace/Lima on Friday, February 27th. The reception will be from 6pm to 8pm and the awards will be presented at 7:00pm. The reception is free and open to the public; refreshments will be served.

ArtSpace/Lima is located at 65-67 Town Square, Lima, OH 45801. For further information, contact Vanessa Damschroder at 419-222-1721 or via e-mail at vanessa@artspacelima.com. After March 6th, work may be picked up at ArtSpace/Lima during normal business hours (Tuesday-Friday, 10am-5pm, Saturday, 10am-2pm) or include a SASE with your mailed work and we will return it to you the first week of March. The SASE must be enclosed to ensure prompt return of the piece.

Thank you for your assistance in promoting this contest. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have questions regarding the 2009 Congressional Art Contest.

Sincerely,

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